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OPENING REMARKS BY JOHN E. FETZER:

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You know, I sense a great deal of love and spirit, and understanding, and wisdom that enters this room as we deliberate on matters of first importance.

You are aware I am sure that I have had four or five years of real personal struggle. My health problems have been of such major importance in my life, that I have had to give major attention to the physical aspect of the anatomy in order to survive. When you fight the battle of survival, it has a habit of bringing stern reality to the forefront. It means that there are duties of life that must be faced up to and must be addressed.

I constantly draw on the energy of the Father for guidance. It had been my hope that the Foundation would also and tenaciously so, ask the Father for guidance. We have a very serious mission to do in this world. In my view it's a mission ordained of God. Therefore, all of us, have to seriously consider what our particular parts are in this kind of arena.

All my life I've had to deal with people on all levels of concern, and I have how to play the games. I know how to play that game, but I no longer choose to do so. It's more important to me to fulfill the obligations that go with the concerns of this foundation than

anything else in my life. It's my hope that all of us identified with this endeavor will seriously consider what it means to go through self-examination to the extent of seeking soul awareness because if you can't find your way on this great learning planet, it's a tragedy. It's a real tragedy.

This Foundation was inspired to carry on a work that seems to me very important to the world. I think its attractiveness to those souls on the planet, that are looking forward to leadership to satisfy a certain lingering hunger that resides in their life, and are looking to us to satisfy that. The Foundation actually was put together on a very simple premise, the simplest of premises. To that of research, education, and service. Very simple – research, education and service. Three sides of the triangle. That's why our building was designed the way it was, to carry forward that purpose in that manner.

When I sent you the last memorandum on the matter of research and the production of the lab and the things I thought we ought to at least make a beginning with, I felt that that was stating in simple terms what the Foundation was to do and to accomplish. I said that in my remarks at the Global Conference, Glenn. In my remarks then, just to refresh your memory, I made this discovery a couple of nights ago, and I thought it would be worth repeating.

“The Foundation was established to pursue a health program designed to discover the integral relationships of the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions of humankind; to enhance partnerships in resources, alliances in global networking, and educational programs; and **basically** to open the door to research into bio-field medicine

which investigates the energetic mechanisms of the total organism.” (My intent here was to make **laboratory research** a top priority.)

That, in one paragraph, attempted to tell the story. That’s the story I have been talking about from the first day that this Foundation attempted to carry on business. But to show you what the helter-skelter has been, when the copy of my remarks was put into this little pamphlet the word “basically” was left out. The first part of my statement was accurate: “The Foundation was established to pursue a health program designed to discover the integral relationships of the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions of humankind...” The remainder of the pamphlet statement reads “to create partnerships in resources, alliances in global networking, and educational programs, and to open the door to research into the energetic mechanism of the total human organism.” That compared to the original thing, is a complete change. It has the effect of changing the priorities of the Foundation because the word “basically” was eliminated.

This is probably just a technical error, but you see how easy it is to lose your way on the path because the way this reads is that the principal purposes of the Foundation is to enhance partnerships and resources, alliances and global networking and educational programs and (finally) to open the door to research. (What I was trying to point out is that as the years go by little by little the Foundation can lose its Founders purpose and the whole process could be inadvertent.)

For instance, I feel, and Glenn, I’ve said this a lot of times to you, I feel that you’re spread too thin, that you’re undertaking more than one man should possibly undertake but the fact is there is a necessity to bring in an operating man who will carry out the

principles of the Foundation and be responsible for staffing, and putting things together so that you don't have to be bogged down with that kind of an effort in addition to all the other things you have to do for public relations (meaning networking) purposes. That seems to be the number one thing the Board should be looking at.

The other thing that comes right with that in tandem is to establish our own lab and begin this research as I have asked for, and get it going and find a Director of Research. We have had proposals on all these issues that I think it's time for us at the Board meeting to look at the staffing and the operations of the Foundation as our first priority. It seems to me that if the purposes and intention is to be carried out, we must go through the shakedown cruise, so to speak. We've had almost two years now of going through a lot of things, getting so much done, and in my view the staff has worked diligently. The staff in my mind, considering the search for direction on the part of all of us, has been competent, (in saying this it does not oppose changes) and I believe it's now time for the Board of Directors to assume its principal purpose and that is to assume its responsibility in the running of the affairs of this Foundation. I charge all of you with that responsibility, that you are the ones that must generate policy and generate the ways and means of getting the job done. I can't say that too strongly. That's the reason why I want a small Board of Directors. I don't want a large Board of Directors simply because this is a pioneer effort, there are no benchmarks. We all have a different idea of what is our top priority, but we have a lot of learning to do together. We have a lot of interchange that's necessary, and communication is vital. It's absolutely vital that I be able to communicate with all of you, and I apologize because I haven't had the health and strength necessary to get in here and

swing as I once did. Believe me, if I had half the energy that I used to have, the fur would fly, believe me because I'm a no-nonsense guy, and that's the way I feel about it. (In former years mine was a 14-hour day.) I've charged you now with the responsibility of taking this up, and let's try to see what we have to do to get things in the right direction. Again, I invoke the blessing of the Father on this session, and I think we have the wisdom, and I think we have the intelligence in this group to come together and examine closely what our positions are. Let's above all be honest with yourself first, be honest with the Board as you can, state your positions openly and frankly because I want this Foundation to go, and I'm sure right in this room we have all the essence necessary to do it.

I'm sorry that my opening remarks got to be a little lengthy, but nevertheless I feel compelled to be honest with you and to tell you forthrightly how I have felt and I hope that in the session that is ahead, if my strength doesn't hold out to keep going in every session here, I'll bow out and take a little rest and come back when I can. I'm going to turn most of it over to you, because most of this agenda I have some degree of familiarity with it, not totally so. I think that with your help and with the guidance of the Father, we'll be able to reach some conclusions of substance. Thank you very much.